

New York, March 11, 1949.

Robert Blum, Esq.,
Office of Secretary of Defense,
Room 3-C-746,
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Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Blum:

Now that the report on "The Central Intelligence Agency and National Organization for Intelligence" has been submitted to the National Security Council by the Survey Group, we, the members of the Group, desire to express to you our great appreciation for the services which you rendered during the past year as secretary of the Group in assembling data for the report and in collaborating with us in its preparation. We believe that this is the first time that any such careful study has been made of the American intelligence system. It has been a pleasure to work with you in presenting to the government concrete suggestions for the improvement of what we believe is one of the most vital and necessary services of our government under world conditions as they are today.

Enclosed are copies of letters, dated February 24 and February 25, 1949, from the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the National Security Council, expressing their appreciation for the work of the Survey Group. Also enclosed is a copy of the letter, dated March 2, 1949, which was sent to the Secretary of Defense regarding the importance of your contribution to the work of the Group.

Faithfully yours,

Copy to:

~~Mr. Jackson~~
~~Mr. Correa~~